Serial No. 10/038,346

providing the service when it is determined that the vehicle needs the service;
obtaining GPS data concerning a current location of the vehicle; and
comparing the GPS data concerning the location of the at least one service
provider with the GPS data concerning the current location of the vehicle in selecting a
service provider within a predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle
to provide the service.

130. (Amended) The method of claim 129 further comprising communicating to the user information about the selected service provider when the selected service provider is within the predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle.

133. (Amended) The method of claim 129 wherein data concerning a location of the selected service provider is supplied to a navigator for providing directions to reach the location of the selected service provider.

137. (Amended) A method for use in a system in a vehicle comprising: storing GPS data concerning locations of a plurality of service providers; identifying a condition of the vehicle;

retrieving GPS data concerning a location of at least one of the plurality of service providers in response to the condition, and

comparing GPS data concerning a current location of the vehicle with the retrieved GPS data to select a service provider within a predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle to attend to the condition.

139. (Amended) The method of claim 137 further comprising communicating information about the selected service provider when the selected service provider is

734

-2-

Serial No. 10/038,346

74

within the predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle.

Pos

142. (Amended) The method of claim 137 wherein data concerning a location of the selected service provider is supplied to a navigator for providing directions to reach the location of the selected service provider.

146. (Amended) A system for use in a vehicle comprising:

a memory for storing GPS data concerning a plurality of service providers;

a mechanism for identifying a condition of the vehicle, GPS data concerning at least one of the plurality of service providers being retrieved from the memory in response to the condition; and

a processor for comparing of S data concerning a current location of the vehicle with the retrieved GPS data to select a service provider within a predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle to attend to the condition.

B1

148. (Amended) The system of claim 146 further comprising an interface for communicating information about the selected service provider when the selected service provider is within the predetermined distance from the current location of the vehicle.

78

151. (Amended) The system of claim 146 wherein data concerning a location of the selected service provider is supplied to a navigator for providing directions to reach the location of the selected service provider.